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TELEGRAM FROM

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Palatine, Special Committee.
Following from Mac Gillivray. Status. Itinerary of committee is not likely to be settled until all principle members have assembled and next formal meeting held on June 2. Gives particulars of travel arrangements for journey of committee to Palestine.

ADDRESSED JERUSALEM N° 20.

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FROM NEW YORK TO JERUSALEM

(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No. 20. D: 10.20 p.m. 26th May, 1947.

26th May, 1947. R: 5.00 a.m. 27th May, 1947.

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Following from MacGillivray.

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Itinerary of Committee is not likely to be settled until all principal members have assembled and next formal meeting held on 2nd June. But indications are that Committee will proceed direct to Palestine in parties arriving Lydda by air on following dates; provisional travel arrangements are being made accordingly by Committee's Secretariat. Thursday 5th June. Small advance party consisting of officer responsible for accommodation and two other members of Secretariat staff. Sunday 8th June. Party of 38 consisting of Secretariat staff including chief administrative officer and press officer and possibly also some of the alternate representatives. This party would leave New York on 6th June by special charter via Geneva. Unless it is thought that I should stay here longer I would propose to accompany this party. Friday 13th June. Main party of about 60 persons including all representatives and also most of the senior officials of the Secretariat. 30 will probably travel by charter aircraft direct from New York leaving 12th June; the remainder by B.O.A.C. in three batches each of ten leaving New York on 8th, 9th and 10th for London and proceeding thence together by special charter leaving London evening of 12th June.

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2. Earlier plan would have meant arrival of main party including representatives on 12th June in middle of King's birthday celebrations. Committee's Secretariat realise that this might not be convenient to you and have therefore postponed arrival by one day.

3. I will telegraph as soon as possible giving breakdown of total party of approximately 100 persons and regarding accommodation requirements.

Foreign Office please pass Immediate to Jerusalem as my telegram No. 20.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section, Colonial Office for transmission to Jerusalem.]

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Palentine and United Nations.

Transmit copy of HIC Canada despatch No 116 of April 18 Referring to HIC Telegram No 366 (E3332/46/31, transmit extract from House of Commons debate of 14 April re Special Session of U.N. to deal with the Palentine Question.

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Office of the High Commissioner
Earncliffe,
Ottawa.

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No. **116**
Date. **18th April, 1947.**

The High Commissioner in Canada
for His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom presents his compliments to
Secretary of State for Dominion Affairs, London.

and has the honour to transmit to him the under-mentioned documents.

Reference to previous correspondence:

High Commissioner's telegram No. 366 of the 16th April, 1947.

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DESCRIPTION OF ENCLOSURES	DATE
House of Commons Debates United Nations - Palestine Question.	14th April, 1947

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UNITED NATIONS

SPECIAL SESSION OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO CONSIDER PALESTINE QUESTION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. JOHN BRACKEN (Leader of the Opposition): I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. It is based on a press dispatch issued from the united nations headquarters at Lake Success yesterday. According to this dispatch a special session of the general assembly of the united nations is to be called for April 28 next to take up the Palestine problem. My questions are two in number: (1) Has Canada been invited to attend this meeting? (2) Will the minister now advise the house of the government's plans with respect to this special united nations meeting, and, so far as it can do so, indicate its policy with respect to the Palestine question?

Right Hon. L. S. ST. LAURENT (Secretary of State for External Affairs): To the first question the answer is in the affirmative. The department this morning received a dispatch from Lake Success dated yesterday notifying us that a majority of the members had yesterday concurred in the request of the United Kingdom to summon a special session of the general assembly, and that in accordance with rules 3 and 8 of the provisional rules of procedure of the general assembly the secretary general was notifying us that this special session will open on Monday, April 28, 1947, at eleven a.m. in the general assembly hall, Flushing Meadows, New York City. The provisional agenda of the special session is to be as follows:

1. Opening of the session by the chairman of the Belgian delegation.
2. Election and report of credentials committee.
3. Election of president for the duration of the special session.

4. Organization of session.
5. Adoption of agenda.

All these are, of course, just preliminaries. Then the only real item on the agenda is the following: Constituting and instructing special committee to prepare for consideration of the question of Palestine at second regular session. The Canadian government had previously expressed its acquiescence in the application of the United Kingdom for a special session of the assembly for the limited purpose mentioned in this article of the agenda.

As to the second part of the question asked by the leader of the opposition, the government feel that this special session will not require a delegation comprising cabinet representation, but that it will suffice to have a delegation of officials of the Department of External Affairs. The present plans are to have that small official delegation headed by the Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

As to the remainder of the question, asking for an indication of the government's policy with respect to the Palestine question, the government's policy at present is to concur in this application that there be set up a committee to prepare for consideration the question of Palestine at the next general session of the assembly.

Mr. BRACKEN: Would it be correct to say that this meeting which is called for April 28 is more in the nature of a preliminary meeting for the study of this question, the same to be eventually decided at a fuller and larger regular meeting of the general assembly?

Mr. ST. LAURENT: Our understanding is that it is to constitute a committee which will gather information which will be available for the purpose of dealing intelligently with the problem at the next regular session of the assembly.

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Palestine, Resolution by Norwegian delegate.

Palestine til 1016 of May 21. Refers New York til 1400 (E 4113/46/21). Transmits note for his A. Badegon, stating that full publicity is being given to text of resolution moved by Norwegian Del. calling for cessation of Jewish and Arab violence.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 21st May, 1947.

R. 21st " " 17.20 hrs.

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No. 1016 Secret.

Addressed to H.M. Consul General New York No. 756
Secret.

Repeated to S. of S.

Your telegram No. 1400 of 15th May to the Foreign
Office.

Following for Sir Alexander Cadogan. Begins.

Full publicity is being given here to the text of the resolution moved by the Norwegian Delegate in the General Assembly calling for the cessation of threats or the use of force. It is possible that the effect could be strengthened by giving similar publicity to any statements made in the course of the debate on this resolution. If there is any ammunition of this kind better to have it for immediate use. Ends.

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TELEGRAM FROM

No. Lord Sowerby

Dated Washington

Received in Registry } 3088
26 May 1947
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Visit of Dr GOLDMAN to U.K.

Dr Goldman stated to N.W. Ambassador that he expected to be in London between 3rd and 7th June on his way to Palestine. He expressed hope that Jof S and Jof S for Colonies might find time to receive him.

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No doubt Dr Goldman will approach us when he arrives and either the S/S or the Colonial Sec. will probably wish to receive him.

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Mrs. Beins
May 28

We can meet him on (1), I think, but not on (2)

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DEPARTMENTAL No. 2.

FROM WASHINGTON TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Lord Inverchapel

No. 3088

D. 8.50 p.m. 26th May, 1947.

26th May, 1947.

R. 3.15 a.m. 27th May, 1947.

Repeated to Jerusalem

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Dr. Goldman called upon me this morning to tell me that he expected to be in London between 3rd and 9th of June on his way to Palestine and to express the hope that you and the Secretary of State for the Colonies might find time to receive him.

2. I gather that his intention was

(1) to urge that His Majesty's Government and their agents should remain neutral in the matter of participation [sic] of Palestine when the time came and

(2) to plead that, pending the taking of a decision of the Assembly, some relaxation should be allowed in restrictions on immigration, say three or four thousand a month.

5. He claimed that (2) would check both terrorism and illegal immigration.

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Dr Goldman is in London and has informed me that he is at the disposal of the S/S should the latter wish to see him. He has recently seen Lord Inverchapel, (who has recorded the discussion in a telegram) and will be staying in London until Saturday, June 7th. Should we advise the S/S to see him?
 R.S.C. McAlpine
 S/S.

The Department see no necessity for the Secretary of State to receive Dr Goldman. He might be told that the Secretary of State is very hard pressed at the moment; and ~~that~~ that in any case a full report has been received from Lord Inverchapel on his talk with Dr Goldman on May 26. *W.M. [Signature]*
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No. India Office
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Palistin, Indian Delegate to Special Committee.
Repa to report that Indian Govt have appointed
Sir. Abdus Rahman as Indian Delegate
to Special Committee. Encloses short
report giving information available about
him.

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SE Asia Dept.

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SEA Dept. has already commented
on Sir Abdus Rahman and Dr Bloom
on Eastern Dept's other file
circulated to us and other
Departments for comment.

Eastern Dept.

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4, CENTRAL BUILDINGS,
MATTHEW PARKER STREET,
LONDON, S.W.1.

E 4493
25 May, 1947.

28 MAY

Dear Heathcote Smith,

You may have seen the Reuter report that the Government of India have appointed Sir Abdur Rahman as Indian delegate on the United Nations Fact-Finding Committee on Palestine. This gentleman does not seem to be a particularly prominent figure, but it is of interest that the Government of India have elected to nominate a Moslem. In case it is of any value to you I enclose a note giving such information as we have about Sir Abdur Rahman.

Yours sincerely,

C.B.B. Heathcote Smith, Esq.,
Foreign Office.

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ABDUR RAHMAN, Sir Muhammed, Khan Bahadur (born 5th October, 1888). (Judge, high court, Lahore). Educated at St. Stephen's College, Delhi, and at the Law College, Lahore. Dean of Faculty of law, Delhi University, 1927-34, Vice-Chancellor, Delhi University, 1930-34; appointed judge, high court, Madras, August 1937; ditto, Lahore, February, 1943; Vice Chancellor, Punjab University.

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Incident at Petah Tikvah.

Refers to incident re recent clash between Jews and Arabs, in which ten Egyptians were killed and two seriously injured. A lot of information, Egyptians were in rope merely by chance and do not appear to have been singled out for attack.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 26th May, 1947.

R. 27th " " 00.30 hrs.

IMPORTANT

No. 1040 Secret.

Addressed to H.M. Ambassador, Cairo,
No. 68.

Repeated to S. of S.

In view of publicity which has been given to recent clash between Jews and Arabs near Petah Tikvah which took place on 20th May and in which two Egyptians were killed and two more seriously injured, I think that you should know that, as far as can be ascertained, the Egyptians were in cafe purely by chance and do not (repeat not) appear to have been singled out for attack.

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Palastin, American Press

States Principal American newspapers still continue to report the U.N. discussions on Palastin. General approval is given to the proposal that the committee of Enquiry should consist of neutral states, given further press comment.

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Hanson Baldwin is sound. The point about US equipment (last paras.) is interesting

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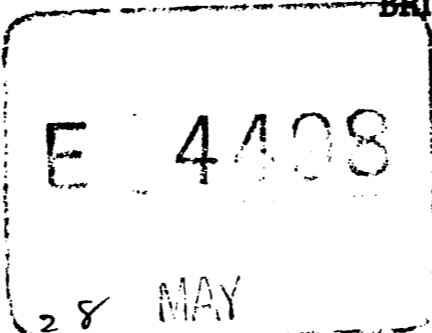
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BRITISH EMBASSY,

WASHINGTON 8, D. C.

20th May 1947



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Dear Department,

The principal American newspapers have continued to report the U.N. discussions on Palestine at considerable length, but there is if anything even less comment than last week. General approval is given to the proposal that the Committee of Enquiry should consist of neutral states. The Soviet attitude has caused some surprise and speculation, as it had previously been assumed that the Soviet Union would incline towards the Arab thesis.

2. The New York Times, in an editorial, takes issue with Arab threats to boycott the Committee and to take matters into their own hands. This, it says, prejudices their case, which has not been improved by their defence of Hitler's ally, the Mufti. It adds that they do not stand alone in their attitude, since Zionist elements are likewise defying the constituted authority in Palestine. The editorial adds that the declaration of H.M.G. that they will accept any United Nations decision, but will not themselves carry out a policy of which they disapprove, may require a reconsideration of the Mandate and Mandatory power. It feels that the best hope of a solution lies in the willingness of all parties to submit to the authority of the United Nations.

3. An editorial in the New York Herald Tribune supports the U.S. Government's refusal to clarify their position at this stage as the proper course, in view of the special purpose for which the Special Assembly was summoned, but adds that it will have to take a definite stand at the appropriate moment.

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Foreign Office,
London, S.W.1.

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The editorial criticises the Soviet attempt to get the Big Five on the proposed committee and claims that the Soviet aim is simply to get Britain out of Palestine as quickly as possible and to make trouble for both Britain and America in the Near East.

4. This particular point, together with the wider issues in the area, are also referred to by Hanson Baldwin in an article in the New York Times. After speaking of the royal tour in South Africa and the possibility of changing the centre of gravity of the British Commonwealth, he speaks of the British imperial position and the importance to Britain of Middle East oil. He then refers to the shadow of the Soviet Union which, like that of Czarist Russia, is cast over the warm waters of the Persian Gulf. Dissensions provide a fertile field for Communism and for the Soviet desire to oust Britain immediately from Palestine. Three main principles must, he says, govern U.S. policy in this difficult question. The first is that criticism without the acceptance of responsibility must cease. The second is that it must be understood that Palestine and the Middle Eastern area are a strategic and military problem, as well as a humanitarian, political and social one. This means that the United States must not espouse in Palestine any policy which will run counter to that already accepted for Greece and Turkey. The third and most important point is that Palestine must be seen in perspective. It must not be weighed solely in the scale of Jewish, Arab or Christian interests. The solution must promote world stability and the interests of the United States. Middle East oil is vital to Britain, he concludes, and it is not in American interests to establish a power vacuum in the Palestine-Middle East area.

5. A later report will be made on comment upon the decisions of the Special Assembly.

6. One further item of news which may be of

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interest is that the American Jewish Conference is reported in the press to have requested, in a letter to Mr. Marshall, that the U.S. Government should take steps for the immediate removal of American Lend-Lease equipment from Palestine. The letter makes the charge that this equipment is now being used against the Jews and that this is contrary to the original purpose of the Lend-Lease Agreement.

Yours ever,

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General Assembly. Resolution.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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19 May 1947

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The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents
his compliments to His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State
for Foreign Affairs of the United Kingdom
and has the honour to inform him that the General Assembly
adopted the following resolution at its seventy-ninth plenary
meeting on 15 May 1947:

"THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY calls upon all Governments
and peoples and particularly on the inhabitants of
Palestine to refrain, pending action by the General
Assembly on the report of the Special Committee on
Palestine, from the threat or use of force or any
other action which might create an atmosphere
prejudicial to an early settlement of the question
of Palestine."

In view of the fact that His Majesty's Government is the
Mandatory for Palestine, the Secretary-General has the honour
to request the Secretary of State to be so good as to take such
steps as may be possible to implement this resolution in so far
as it concerns the inhabitants of Palestine.

The Right Honourable Ernest Bevin, M. P.,
His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State
for Foreign Affairs,
Foreign Office,
Downing Street,
London S. W. 1,
England.



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Palatine, Payment of Legacies.

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Lord Inverchapel
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Firm of lawyers have asked His Majesty's Consul-
General at San Francisco whether the Government of
Palestine allow legacies due to residents in the
United States to be remitted in full. What should he
reply?

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His Majesty's Ambassador,
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No. 139.

Repeated telegram saving No. 622 to Colonial Office.

Your telegram No. 55 of 23rd May repeated saving Foreign Office.

Palestine Control allows transfer in full of pecuniary, residuary or specific bequests or inheritance under the wills or upon the intestacies of persons who at their death were regarded as residents of the sterling area. This includes proceeds of sale of real estate, securities and personal effects provided the legatee realised his bequest and applied for transfer as soon as possible.

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TELEGRAM FROM

Lt. M. Peterson

No.

Moscow 12/8

Dated

Received in Registry

27, May 1947
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Palestine, Soviet Press

Message Moscow tel 1174 (E 4515/46/31), message carried in Soviet press of 24th claim that Gromyko has received greetings tele from Jewish organization in various countries has great prominence. In some of the expressions of gratitude emphasizing that Gromyko's approach is in line with Soviet's ^{policy} of ^{friendship} ^{with} ^{Jewish} ^{people}.

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Sir M. Peterson, D. 6.37 p.m. 27th May, 1947.
No. 1218
27th May, 1947. R. 11.48 p.m. 27th May, 1947.

Repeated to New York (U.K. Delegation),
Washington,
Jerusalem.

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IMPORTANT

My telegram No. 1174.
General Assembly debate on Palestine.

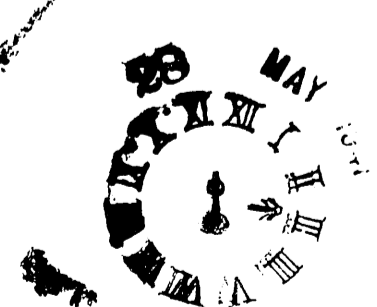
London New York Tass message carried in Soviet press of 24th claims that Gromyko has received greetings telegrams from "Jewish organisations in various countries" then gives prominence to some of the expressions of gratitude emphasising that Gromyko's proposals are in line with Soviet championship of oppressed peoples whether great or small.

2. The following are some examples (a) American Council of Jewish Workers "your constructive proposals fully accord with the great Soviet tradition of friendship with all oppressed peoples". (b) Palestine League for Friendly Relations with the Soviet-Union - Gromyko's statement. "Recognises the right of the Jews to national autonomy in their own land and the established connexion between the Jewish people and their historic motherland".

3. "New Times" for May 23rd contains a note on international life summing up the recent special session of the General Assembly on similar lines to article summarised in my telegram No. 1192 with even greater emphasis upon the uncompromising attitude of Britain and America (acting in collusion) in side-tracking with the help of their "clients" the Soviet proposal to discuss without delay the real issue of Palestinian independences.

Foreign Office please repeat to United Kingdom Delegation New York as my telegram No. 24 Washington as my telegram No. 205 and to Jerusalem unnumbered.

[Repeated to United Kingdom Delegation New York and Washington. Copies sent to Telegraph Section Colonial Office for repetition to Jerusalem]



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TELEGRAM FROM

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Palestine, Special Committee.

Addressed id/c Palestine No 2H.

State Committee Secretariat will probably include five British officers, five more, suggests for security reasons to arrange their accommodation in Y.M.C.A.

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(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No. 1,477.

D: 8.18 p.m. 27th May, 1947.

27th May, 1947.

R: 3.10 a.m. 28th May, 1947.

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Foreign Office please pass following to Jerusalem.

[Begins]

Addressed to High Commissioner for Palestine No. 24 of 27th May.

Following from MacGillivray for Liaison Officer.

Committee's Secretariat will probably include following five British officers:-

- Alexander (Chief Administration Officer),
- MacCabe (Transport, Accommodation and Security Officer),
- Cremona (Assistant Secretary),
- Mrs. Arakie (Assistant Secretary), and
- Miss Wade (Translator).

It might be best for security reasons to arrange for their accommodation in Y.M.C.A.

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TELEGRAM FROM

No. U. H. Dept.
Dated New York.
Received in Registry } 1475.
27, May 1947
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Palestine, Committee of Investigation.
Holds Jewish Agency has written to the Gen. proposing that an accredited representative nominated by Jewish Agency be officially attached to Committee as permanent liaison.

Last Paper.

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(Minutes.)

See E 4562 & action

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Mr. Fitzgerald,
P.E.I.D.
13 June

In P.P. Palestine Ad 1061 29/5.
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FROM NEW YORK TO FOREIGN OFFICE

(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No.1475

D. 8.30 p.m. EST 27th May, 1947

27th May, 1947

R. 2.55 a.m. DBST 28th May, 1947

Repeated to Washington
Jerusalem
Moscow

E 4518

IMPORTANT
GIANT

My telegram No.1469. *cc/49/1469*

28 MAY

Palestine.

The Jewish Agency has written to the Secretary General proposing "that an accredited representative nominated by the Jewish Agency be officially attached to the Committee as a permanent liaison". He would be present at all meetings of the Committee and would "receive for study and comment the memoranda and documents submitted to the special committee from other quarters".

2. Present indications are that the Committee will prefer to ask the agency as well as the Arabs and ourselves to nominate representatives on whom they can call for evidence whenever they require it, but who will not sit as of right at their meetings.

3. The line Beeley has taken in discussing this informally with the Dominion representatives is that we should insist on sharing any such privileges granted to any other party but that we should much prefer not to be associated with the Committee to the extent suggested by the Agency. He therefore expressed the hope that the Committee would not accept permanent liaison officers with the right to attend all its meetings, but would keep its freedom to sit in private.

Foreign Office please repeat important to Jerusalem as my telegram No.22 and to Moscow as my telegram No.202.

[Repeated to Moscow and copies sent to Colonial Office Telegraph Branch for repetition].

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 29th May, 1947.

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R. 29th " " "

21.45 hrs.

IMPORTANT

No. 1061 Secret.

Addressed to H.M. Consul General, New York, No. 798.

Repeated to S. of S.

" to H.M. Ambassador, Washington, No. 126.

Your telegram No. 1475 of 27th May to the Foreign Office.

Following for U.K. Delegation to the United Nations.

Palestine.

In considering request made by the Jewish Agency that they should be allowed an accredited representative, I think it should be borne in mind that, on security grounds, I could not (repeat not) permit any officer of the Palestine Government to give evidence otherwise than in camera and with the assurance that such evidence would not be communicated to Jewish Agency or the Arab Higher Committee.

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Foreign Office - Mr. I.P. Garrahan.

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FROM

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Board

Dated

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28, May 1947

Palestine Special Committee.
Palestine Ltd 1036 25/5, per Cadogan from Cunningham. States that our party of Special Committee is expected to arrive in Palestine on 8th June and around on 12 June. A second date in Kings Benchday asks that annual date be altered.

Last Paper.

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(Minutes.)

U.N. Dept. ⁴⁰

Das. Beins
May 28

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S. COLONIES.

D. 25th May, 1947.
R. 25th " " 18.40 hrs.

No. 1036 Secret

Addressed to H.M. Ambassador Washington, No. 120.
Repeated to S. of S.

Following personal for Sir Alexander Cadogan
from Sir Alan Cunningham. Begins.

The American Consul General in Jerusalem has informed me that one party of the Special Committee of U.N.O. is expected to arrive in Palestine on 8th June and a second party on 12th June. Latter date is the King's Birthday which is public holiday in Palestine. I and the senior members of my staff will be heavily engaged with the customary official functions. Possibly it would be equally convenient to the second party to arrive on some other date: if it is immaterial to them, request they postpone their arrival until 13th June or any subsequent day. Ends.

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TELEGRAM FROM

d. H. Out.
New York.

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Dated

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Palatine, Special Committee.

For 14/c Palatine, no 23. from Mac Gillwray & Lab. Eleven principal representatives appointed to special committee are likely to be accompanied by five alternates and some twenty secretaries stenographers and key members of staff, making total of thirty-six. Give further particulars of strengths.

Last Paper.

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FROM NEW YORK TO FOREIGN OFFICE

(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to United Nations).

No:1476

D.1.00 a.m. 28th May 1947

27th May 1947

R.7.17 a.m. 28th May 1947

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Following for High Commissioner for Palestine telegram No:23 of 27th May.

Following from Macgillivray.

The eleven principal representatives appointed to special committee are likely to be accompanied by five alternates and some twenty secretaries, stenographers and [grp.undec.?key] members of their personal staffs of whom particulars are not yet known. This makes a total of about thirtysix excluding official secretariat.

2. Composition of secretariat changes from day to day and has not yet received final approval of Secretary General. It is not yet possible therefore to provide list of names of principal officers but it can be assumed that numbers will be made up approximately as follows--:

Advisory staff - 7 men and 2 women, total 9.

Administrative staff - 6 men and 1 woman, total 7.

Public Information and Languages staff - 8 men and 4 women, total 12.
Stenographers - 15 women.

Recorders - 8 men and 5 women, total 13.

This makes a total of 56 (29 men and 27 women) of whom nineteen (17 men and 2 women) are senior officers.

Foreign office please pass to Jerusalem.

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New York

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Palestine special committee.

Refer to tel 1477 (E 4112/46/31) and New York tel 1469. Transmit message from Bealey to Border, discussing the movement of the committee, i.e. to Palestine and ask further arrangements re himself and Mac Gillivray.

Last Paper.

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Tel) New York (U.K. Del.) no. 1569. 29 May.

8) Mr. Trafford Smith, C.O. ✓ 3rd June.

(Minutes.)

A tel has been sent to Mr Bealey from Mr Baxter about dates of return and Sir A. Cadogan has asked that Mr Bealey should stay until the Ctee. leave

R. J. Beint
May 29

To which the Board has agreed.

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(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No. 1,481.

D: 12.15 p.m. 28th May, 1947.

28th May, 1947.

R: 6.40 p.m. 28th May, 1947.

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IMMEDIATE

GIANT

411/477 *444/46*
Your telegram No. 1,477 and my telegram No. 1,469.

Palestine.

Following for Baxter from Beeley.

Although the committee may hold a meeting on the 29th, it cannot settle down to serious work before the 2nd June. (The 30th is a public holiday here). Present plans are that the main body of the committee and its secretariat should leave New York between the 8th and the 11th June.

2. In these circumstances I assume from your telegram under reference that you would wish either MacGillivray or myself to stay here next week.

3. The secretariat are sending a small advance party to Palestine, leaving New York on the 3rd June and travelling via London. They would like MacGillivray to travel with them, and he feels that he could be of most use by joining this party.

4. You may therefore wish me to stay here a little longer. We should be grateful if you would consult Martin and let us know (if possible tomorrow) whether these arrangements would be satisfactory.

5. This telegram supersedes a letter I sent you by this morning's bag.

[Copy sent to Mr. Baxter Eastern Department.]

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Sir A. Cadogan
New York
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No. 1569

May 29th
World Organisation
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Your telegram No 1481 [of
May 28. Palestine]

Following for BEELEY
from BAXTER.

MARTIN is not yet
available for consultation but
Colonial Office are prepared to
agree to MacGillivray's plans
subject to the views of High
Commissioner Jerusalem.

2. We would like you to
return to London as ~~soon~~ soon
as you can be spared. Please
consult Sir A. Cadogan. If he
thinks that you ^{certainly} ought to
stay till main body of Committee
leave, we would agree. If
however he feels that you can
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leave earlier,
~~be spread before this~~, we hope
that he can delegate a member
of his staff to keep in touch
with the committee after your
departure.

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No. 1569.

D. 2.25. p.m. 29th May 1947.

29th May 1947.

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IMMEDIATE

Your telegram No. 1481 [of May 28th. Palestine.]

Following for Beeley from Baxter.

Martin is not yet available for consultation but Colonial Office are prepared to agree to MacGillivray's plans subject to the views of High Commissioner Jerusalem.

2. We would like you to return to London as soon as you can be spared. Please consult Sir A. Cadogan. If he thinks that you certainly ought to stay till main body of Committee leave, we would agree. If however he feels that you can leave earlier, we hope that he can delegate a member of his staff to keep in touch with the committee after your departure.

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New York.

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Palatine Permanent Mission Approval.

Refer New York tel 1475 (E4578/46/31)

Receives impression gathered by some members of sentiment that H-UNB wished to appoint a permanent liaison officer to special committee with right similar to those requested by Jewish Agency. Refer text of statement to H-100 by Bealey on subject.

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Drawn to N. York

UN Dept. aka

Mrs. Davis
May 29

Since Mr. Bealey took the right

line.

R. J. Gannon
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No. 1,486.

D: 5.07 p.m. 28th May, 1947.

28th May, 1947.

R: 11.50 p.m. 28th May, 1947.

Repeated to: Jerusalem,
Moscow,
Washington Saving.

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IMMEDIATE

GIANT

My telegram No. 1,475. *E. ...*

Palestine.

We learned last night that some members of the secretariat were under the impression that His Majesty's Government wished to appoint a permanent liaison officer to the special committee with rights similar to those requested by the Jewish Agency. We were also told that the members of the committee in New York were to hold an informal meeting this afternoon and that this speculation as to His Majesty's Government's wishes might affect their attitude to the Jewish Agency's application.

2. Beeley accordingly arranged for Hoo to call on him before the meeting. After explaining the distinction between the Palestine Government and the mandatory power, Beeley said that the liaison office established by the former in Jerusalem would have purely administrative functions. Its purpose was to facilitate the work of the committee during their stay in Palestine. He then said that although he had no instructions from London on this subject, he was confident that His Majesty's Government would not (repeat not) wish to appoint a permanent liaison officer with the right to attend all meetings of the committee and to receive its documents. They would take the view that it would be preferable for the committee to be able to meet in absolute privacy, free from the influence of any interested party. He must add, however, that if the committee should decide to grant exceptional

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privileges to any interested party, His Majesty's Government would ask to be treated in exactly the same way.

3. Hoo said that it seemed, from the informal discussions at present proceeding among the committee members, that the committee would probably decide to inform the Jewish Agency that they did not wish to have a permanent liaison officer attached to them, but that they would like the Agency to nominate a representative to whom they could apply at any time for information. He was glad to hear that His Majesty's Government would probably regard this as an acceptable arrangement in their case. Knowledge of the British attitude would, he thought, make it easier for the committee to reach its decision.

4. I hope you approve of Beeley's statement.

Foreign Office please pass immediate to Jerusalem as my telegram No. 29 and to Moscow as my telegram No.203.

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June 3rd

Your tels. No.s 1475 and
1486 [of May 27 and 28th:
Palestine]

I entirely approve
the line taken by BEELEY

M.B.

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(To Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

No: 1624
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Your telegrams Nos. 1475 and 1486 [of May 27th and 28th: Palestine].

I entirely approve the line taken by Beeley.

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TELEGRAM FROM

No. U.K. Del. New York.

Dated } 1483
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Palatial, Special Committee.
State English and French will be working languages of Committee, Committee will provide own interpreters by way with recruitment locally of two Hebrew and two Arabic translators and also up to six Hebrew interpreters & accompany parties on tours.

ADDRESSED JERUSALEM 27.

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(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative
to United Nations)

No. 27 D. 1.18 p.m. 28th May 1947

28th May 1947. R. 7.45 p.m. 28th May 1947

Repeated to Foreign Office No. 1483

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Foreign Office please pass to Jerusalem.

[Begins]:

Following from MacGillivray for Liaison
Officer.

English and French will be working languages
of the Committee but certain of their records will
be reproduced in other three official languages of
United Nations i.e. Chinese, Spanish and Russian.
Committee will provide their own interpreters and
translators but may wish assistance in recruitment
locally of two Hebrew and two Arabic translators
and also up to six Arab and six Hebrew interpreters
to accompany parties on tour.

Please inform Stubbs and also that there is no
objection to his notifying press representatives
that it is understood that the Committee's Press
Officer will hold Press Conference in Jerusalem on
arrival of full Committee in Palestine if not earlier.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section
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to Jerusalem].

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New York.

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Palestine, Special Committee.

Re: Jerusalem (C) 991 (E 4322/46/31)

Discusses arrangements etc for move of Committee to Palestine. Also documents required.

ADDRESSED JERUSALEM 26.

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(Minutes.)

References.

Mrs. Seint
May 31

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FROM NEW YORK TO HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PALESTINE.

(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations).

No. 26.
28th May 1947.

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SECRET.

Your telegram No. 991 to Colonial Office. ^{29 MAY} Visit of United Nations Committee to Palestine.

As regards numbers and dates of arrival in Palestine nothing can be added at present to information contained in my telegrams Nos. 20 and 23.

2. Cost of the visit will be borne by United Nations, but MacGillivray has informed Committee's Secretariat that he does not anticipate that Government of Palestine will wish to make any charge in respect of Government's Liaison Office except possibly in so far as it may be necessary to engage temporary staff, e.g., Arabic and Hebrew translators, for work undertaken solely on behalf of the Committee. It is evident however that Committee will wish to be as independent of Government as possible and itself engage and pay directly any additional staff which it may require for work in Palestine.

3. From enquiries made by MacGillivray in London and here it seems that there are no complete spare sets of records of oral evidence given to Anglo-American Committee in Washington, London and Jerusalem. Committee's archivist has obtained one complete set of Washington evidence and hopes to obtain from Colonial Office a set of the London evidence while she is in London on her way to Palestine. Committee's Secretariat considers that, unless readily available, no steps need be taken to provide more than these single sets of Washington and London evidence but that it would be useful if each representative were to have for reading before date of public hearings in Jerusalem one complete set of the Jerusalem evidence. MacGillivray suggests therefore that 100 sets should now be prepared in Jerusalem so that 50 can be given to the Committee on their arrival and remainder made available, if desired, to press and public.

His Majesty's Government's memorandum on administration of the mandate is complete down to outbreak of war have been sent by Beeley to London by fast mail. Beeley hopes to finish remaining sections this week.

5. Committee cannot yet be expected to reach decisions as to the type of evidence which they will require from the Government of Palestine but their Secretariat has been notified that the Government is preparing a supplement to the survey of Palestine which will bring up to date the factual matter contained therein in so far as it appears to be pertinent to the enquiry.

6. First public meeting of full committee will now probably take place tomorrow afternoon when it is likely that certain decisions will be taken as to procedure. Please pass to Jerusalem.

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FROM

F. O. Minute

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Dated

Received in Registry

24 May 1947
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M. LISICKY. Special Committee of U.N.
A rough account of conversation with
M. Lisicky (Greek delegate to the Palestine
Committee) who said we could count on
his goodwill and understanding of the British
position in his work on the Committee.

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Min. of States Comps. to
Sir A. Cadogan,
New York.

(Confidential)

June 2.

I believe the substance of this ^(Minutes) has already
been sent to New York by ~~Mr. Gurnell~~
confirmed with Division.

[Signature]
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Mrs. S. Davis
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With ref. to para 3, ^{the} Victor Koo was
duly appointed Secretary to the Committee.
There was therefore no need for ref. to the S-G.
N. Dept. to see *[Signature]* 6.01

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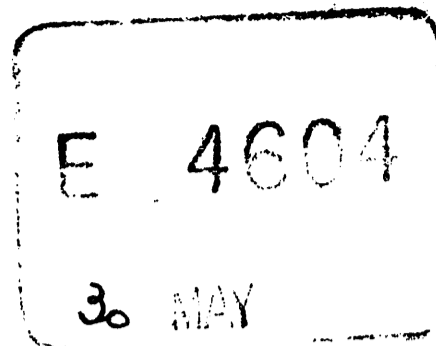
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Sir Orme Sargent.
Eastern Department.



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I told Lisicky that we would inform Sir Alexander Cadogan of his visit, and I also promised that if he wanted help of a documentary kind or advice of any kind Sir Alexander Cadogan would exert himself to help him.

Lisicky said that he knew only the names of his Dutch and Persian colleagues. He said that both were good, and that the Persian, although his position was difficult, was "Western minded". Lisicky also asked if we had any views or information about who would be attached by the Secretariat to the Commission. He thought that in many ways Benson would be best, but, while I didn't disagree, I pointed out that Benson would be left in a rather delicate position since he was British. Lisicky said that if this was the view then he hoped also that we would try to ensure that Bunche (the American negro) would not be attached, because he is a vague idealist and rather an inept man. We thought, continuing the discussion, that perhaps Victor Hoo might be the best bet for the job and perhaps the Department will consider whether, informally, we could quickly make such representations to Trygve Lie. Lisicky asked if we had any views about how the Commissioners ought to handle their task. I said that I didn't want to intrude on this subject at all, but that I thought they should get out of New York as quickly as possible, and that they should not be

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I think that there might be some slight value in transmitting this to Sir Alexander Cadogan, but I know that it all will be dealt with most carefully and confidentially.

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FROM

Mr. E. Graham

No.

Little.

Dated

P. Q.

Received in Registry

23 May 1947
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Treatment of Terrorist Prisoners
Mr. E. Graham Little. asked Dept if he is now in a position to make a statement regarding allegations of inhuman treatment by British of terrorist prisoners, Mr. Bellhop. No, but will inform the House as soon as inquiries are complete

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Parliamentary Question

92. Sir Ernest Graham-Little,—To ask the Secretary of State for War, whether he is now able to make a statement in pursuance of the inquiry he promised into the allegations of inhuman treatment by British representatives of terrorist prisoners, notably of a certain Mordecai Alkachi. [Friday 28rd May.]

Ind. l.

London University.

ANSWERED 23 MAY 1947
REPLY ATTACHED.

NOT FOR ORAL ANSWER.

F.O. ARE NOT ASKED TO ADVISE.

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**TERRORIST PRISONERS
(INQUIRIES)**

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Mr. Bellenger: No, I have no information at present. I will inform the House as soon as my inquiries are complete.

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PARLIAMENTARY

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TERRORIST PRISONERS
(INQUIRIES)

Mr. A. Allen asked the Secretary of State for War what steps he is taking to counteract the campaign of anti-British propaganda now being carried on by means of charges of maltreatment of Jewish prisoners of war by our troops in Palestine, in view of its inflammatory effects upon Jewish opinion throughout the world; whether he has considered the copy, sent to him by the hon. Member for Bosworth, of a letter from the Jewish Legion; and whether he will make a statement on the subject. ⁶⁵

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Mr. Bellenger, pursuant to his reply [OFFICIAL REPORT, 23rd May, 1947; Vol. 437, c. 322], supplied the following information:

I have now received a report on these allegations, which were completely unfounded. Mordechai Alkachi was one of four Jews arrested after attempting to break through a military road block on the night of 29th December, 1946. They were all armed, and ammunition, explosives and two whips were found in their car. During the time they were in military custody they had the same food and medical treatment as military personnel. They were, however, handcuffed for security reasons. At no time were they ill-treated after their arrest and they made no complaints to the officers who visited them. Alkachi was tried by a military court and sentenced to death, the sentence being carried out on 16th April, 1947. Denials of untruthful reports such as that which my hon. Friend the Member for Bosworth (Mr. A. Allen) was good enough to bring to my notice, are sent to the local Press and to representatives of the world Press in Palestine.

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FROM

P.R.

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Widale.

Dated

28, Apr 1947.

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Execution of DUV GRUNER.

Widale, asked whether prior to the execution of DUV GRUNER and others the G.O.C. Palestine and his Dept had been informed that an appeal had been entered before the Privy Council, and listed for hearing 28, April. W. Holliger, answered yes.

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*103. Mr. Hale,—To ask the Secretary of State for War, whether prior to the execution of Drov Gruner and others, the G.O.C. Palestine and his department had been informed that an appeal had been entered before the Privy Council and listed for hearing on 28th April.

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Oldham

F.C. ARE NOT ASKED TO ADVISE.

ANSWERED 22 APR 1947
REPLY ATTACHED.

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FROM

P.P.

No.

W. Platts - Mills

Dated

Received in Registry

23 May 1947
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Mr Emile G. Youma.
Mr Platts - Mills. asked P.P. whether he is aware that on Sunday 27 April, officers of Palestine Police impounded papers belonging to Mr Youma, and did return them. Also that he was instructed for their release. Mr Aeneas Jones. Papers were available, and Mr Youma informed May 8, that he has not yet collected same.

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Parliamentary Question

66. Mr. Platts-Mills.—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, whether he is aware that on Sunday 27th April 1947 officers of the Palestine police force searched the baggage of Mr. Emile G. Touma, a Palestinian citizen returning from Great Britain, where he had been attending a conference; that his papers, comprising notes on the labour, trade union and progressive movements in Britain, were impounded for censorship; that those papers are still retained at C.I.D. headquarters, Jerusalem, in spite of protests; and if he will issue instructions for the release of those papers.
[Wednesday 21st May.]

Lab.

Finsbury.

ANSWERED 23 MAY 1947
REPLY ATTACHED.

NOT FOR ORAL ANSWER.

F.O. ARE NOT ASKED TO ADVISE.

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PALESTINE (IMPOUNDED DOCUMENTS)

Mr. Platts-Mills asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies whether he is aware that on Sunday, 27th April, 1947, officers of the Palestine police force searched the baggage of Mr. Emile G. Thouma, a Palestinian citizen returning from Great Britain, where he had been attending a conference; that his papers, comprising notes on the labour, trade union and progressive movements in Britain, were impounded for censorship; that those papers are still retained at C.I.D. headquarters, Jerusalem, in spite of protests; and if he will issue instructions for the release of those papers.

Mr. Creech Jones: The documents found in the baggage of Mr. Emile Thouma on his return to Palestine on 27th April were impounded by the Palestine Police and sent to Jerusalem for examination. After examination they were sent to the Police Station in Haifa, where Mr. Thouma resides, and were available for him to collect from 8th May. In spite of several requests, Mr. Thouma has so far neither called for the documents, nor has he made any protests concerning them to the Palestine Government.

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TELEGRAM FROM

No. U.K. Del.

Dated New York.

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29. May 1947
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Palestine Special Committee.
Refer # 1569 (E 4560/46/31) for Borten from Badogan. Would be gratified if Bealey could remain until main body of Committee leave New York. Gives reasons.

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This has been agreed
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D. 12.30 p.m. 29th May 1947.

29th May 1947.

R. 7.0 p.m. 29th May 1947.

Repeated to Washington (for Beeley).

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IMPORTANT.

Your telegram No.1569.

Following personal for Baxter from Cadogan.

I should be most grateful if Beeley could be permitted to remain here until the main body of the Committee leaves New York. My own staff are so few in number that it would be extremely difficult to delegate one of them to keep in touch with the Committee, quite apart from the fact that they have not Beeley's specialised knowledge of the subject. An additional reason why I should like to keep him for these extra days is that, thanks to his friendship with Atzam, he can be of help to us in connexion with preliminaries to hearing of the Egyptian case.

[Copy sent to Mr. Baxter.]

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Sir A. Ludogan
New York

No. 1588

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Your telegram No 1490 [of May 29:

date of Mr Beeley's return
from New York].

Following from Baxter.

We agree.

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No. 1588

May 30th, 1947.

D. 7.40 p.m. May 30th, 1947.

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Your telegram No. 1490 [of May 29th: date of
Mr. Beeley's return from New York].

Following from Baxter.

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29 May 1947

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Palatine, Special Committee.

State sent full public meeting of Committee postponed until Monday June 2. Several more representatives have not yet arrived. Few list of senior members of Secretariat.

ADDRESSED JERUSALEM NO 30.

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First full public meeting of Committee has been postponed until afternoon of Monday 2nd June since some representatives have not yet arrived in New York. Decisions on procedure cannot be expected until then.

2. Following is list of senior members of Secretariat. This was officially released last night by Secretary General Dr. Victor Hoo (Chinese) personal representative of Secretary General.

Dr. Alfonso Garcia Robles (Mexican) Principal Secretary.

Dr. Ralph Bunche (American) Special Assistant to Dr. Hoo.

Mr. Ian F.G. Milner (Australian) Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Constantin Stavropoulos (Greek) Assistant Secretary-Expert on legal questions.

Mr. Paul Cremona (British) Assistant Secretary.

Mrs. Margaret Arakie (British) Assistant Secretary (in charge of archives and registry).

Miss Mary Ellen Ronald (American) Assistant to Principal Secretary.

Mrs. L. Erville (Belgian) Research Assistant.

Mr. Bernard G. Alexander (British) Chief Administrative Officer.

Mr. Roscoe Lewis (American) Conference Officer.

Mr. Robert Boxeur (American) Financial Officer.

Mr. Joseph MacCabe (British) Transport and Accommodation Officer (will act also as Security Officer)

Mr. Paul Leake (American) Documents Production Officer.

Mr. George Symeonides (Greek) Information Officer.

3. Secretariat of the Committee will in addition comprise interpreters, translators, reporting and stenographic staff totalling about 35 in all.

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TELEGRAM FROM

No. U.K. Del.

Dated New York.

Received in Registry } 1513

2 June 1947

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Mr Gellivray, Movements.
Refers Palestine tel 799 for Martin from Mr Gellivray. Although Committee Secretariat has suggested that should return Palestine with them in U.K. special aircraft, will travel independently and break journey in London.

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I have sent a reply ^(Minutes.) to this at request of C.O.

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(From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations).

No. 1513 D: 5.27 p.m. 2nd June, 1947

2nd June, 1947 R: 12.40 a.m. 3rd June, 1947

Repeated to High Commissioner Jerusalem.

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Following for Colonial Office.

Following for Martin from Macgillivray.

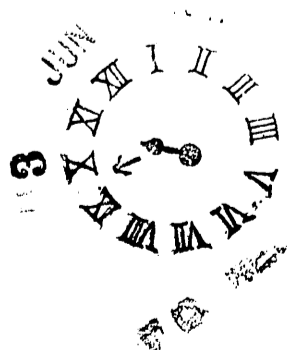
High Commissioner's telegram No. 799 to Consul-General New York.

Although Committee's Secretariat had suggested that I should return to Palestine with them in the United Nations special charter aircraft on June 6th and although this arrangement would have had some practical advantages it may be open to objection in other aspects. On this account and also since you may wish to see me in London en route I propose to travel independently of Committee leaving here for London by B.O.A.C. on June 4th E.T.A. Heathrow noon June 5th. Grateful if onward passage to Palestine may be so arranged that I will arrive there not later than 8th June which is date on which main body of Committee's Secretariat is due.

I hope you approve.

Foreign Office please pass immediate to High Commissioner Jerusalem as my telegram No. 36.

[Copies sent to Telegraph Section, Colonial Office for Martin and for transmission to Jerusalem.]



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Following for McGillivray from Martin.

Your telegram No.1513. Your travel arrangements most acceptable and we welcome opportunity to see you en route.

Onward air passage to Palestine arranged for 6th June and hotel accommodation booked for night 5th/6th June.

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Palatinal Special Committee.
 Report New York 61 1469 (E4726/46/31)
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References.

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U.N. Dept. ^{4/17/46}

Re: Beirut June 4

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- 8) Miss Simpson, No. 10. (Spec. Mess.)
3 June.
- 8) Mr. Bush D.O. (Room 0011)
6 June.
- Tel) New York 1648
5 June.

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My telegram No. 1469: Palestine.

The Special Committee on Palestine met in public on the afternoon of 2nd June. All the principal delegates were present with the exception of Fabregat.

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3. The Committee next adopted the text of a letter which will be sent to each of the 13 organisations whose request for a hearing at the Special Session of the Assembly had been rejected (my telegram No. 1359). The letter states that it will not be practicable for the Committee to grant a hearing to all of them; invites them to submit their views, with a statement of their claim to represent an element of the population of Palestine, by the 6th June; and promises that the Committee will then decide whether to grant oral hearings to any of these organisations. Hoo subsequently told a member of the delegation that any such hearings would take place in New York before the Committee's departure.

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*4. The Committee then adopted some of its rules of procedure. It has decided that "the Mandatory Power, the Arab Higher Committee, and the Jewish Agency for Palestine, may appoint Liaison Officers to the Committee who shall supply such information or render such other assistance as the Committee may require. The Liaison Officers may, suo motu, present at the discretion of the Committee such information as they may think advisable". It appeared from the discussion that the Committee do not intend the Liaison Officers to sit as of right at their meetings.

Foreign Office please pass to High Commissioner, Jerusalem (Important), and Moscow, as my telegrams Nos. 58 and 204 respectively.

[Repeated to Moscow and copies passed to Telegraph Section, Colonial Office, for repetition to Jerusalem.] *

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No 1648 ✓
Cypher
June 5.

Your telegram No 1517 [of June 2. Palestine].

Following for BEELEY from BAXTER.

Secretary of State is anxious that the moderate (repeat moderate) Jews should have every opportunity to get their views before the Committee. Please keep us informed on this point.

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DEPARTMENTAL NO.1.

FROM FOREIGN OFFICE TO NEW YORK

(To Permanent United Kingdom Representative to United Nations)

No. 1648

D. 3.00 a.m. 6th June 1947

5th June 1947

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Lt. A. Kirkbride

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Palestine, Special Committee.
Refer 40 W 205 (E4309/46/31) King Abdallah did not wish Transjordan delegate should attend forthcoming meeting of Political Committee on grounds that Transjordan was not directly concerned with point at issue, not being member of U.N.

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FROM AMMAN TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Sir A. Kirkbride
No: 166
2nd June, 1947.

D. 12. 20 p.m. 2nd June, 1947.
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Reference your telegram No. [grp. undec: ? 205].

Fact-finding Commission.

King Abdulla did not wish that the Transjordan delegate should attend the forthcoming meeting of Political Committee of the Arab League on the grounds that Transjordan not being a member of United Nations, was not directly concerned with point at issue. He eventually compromised with the Prime Minister who does not want to weaken Transjordan's co-operation with other members of the Arab League and agreed that Transjordan Government should be represented by its Minister in Cairo and not by Samir Pasha on the understanding that Transjordan would not in any case boycott the Fact-finding Commission.

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message for Reley states Sep/P for Colonies
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historical memo will arrive within
next few days.

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Smith, C.O.

Following for BEELEY
from BAXTER.

Secretary of State for
the Colonies hopes that
final instalment of your
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will reach us in course
of next few days. Have
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No. 1611
2nd June, 1947

D: 9.45 a.m. 3rd June, 1947

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Following for Beeley from Baxter.

Secretary of State for the Colonies hopes that final instalment of your historical memorandum will reach us in course of next few days. Have you yet finished it?

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